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We won't be sneaking up on anyone this year. Coach Sumlin's offense has proven that a wide-open, fast-paced team can not only succeed but dominate in the SEC! There are still plenty of experts that only saw the Aggies in the biggest and best game of the year when the team convincingly beat the two-time defending National Champs. I was recently interviewed by an ESPN affiliate in Tennessee, and to my surprise, the host said, "I still contend Manziel won the Heisman based on one play in the Bama game, the fumble then pass to Swope." He obviously hadn't watched the other twelve games the Aggies played last year or the Heisman Trophy plays Number 2 made every Saturday. The spotlight will surely shine brightly on the Ags this fall in every game as they compete for a championship!

As for the rest of the Texas A&M athletic department, under the direction of new Athletic Director Eric Hyman, the Aggies finished with a record best fifth place in the Division I Directors Cup! Following only one other SEC school (Florida at #2), the Aggies not only competed in the best conference, they won championships and led the nation in several sports! The coaches and student athletes have competed, excelled and proved that Texas A&M is one of the best athletic programs in the nation!

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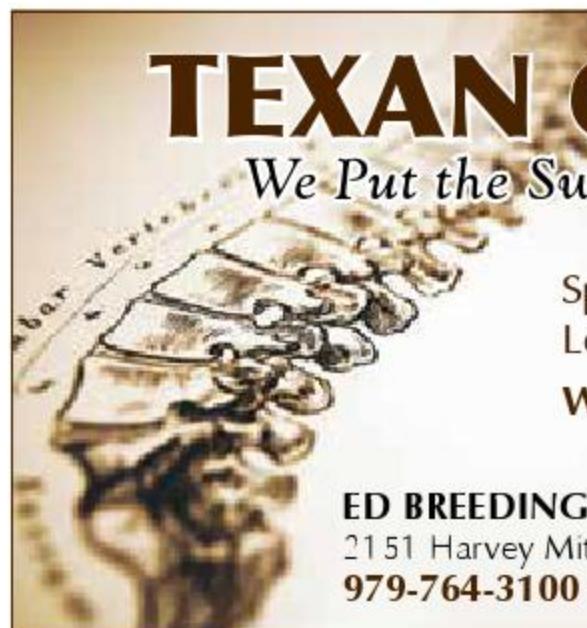
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six with style

Sophomore running back Trey Williams scores a touchdown and gives the fans a little something extra in this spring's Maroon & White game. Whether it's out of the backfield or on returns, the Spring Dekaney product provides a spark whenever he touches the ball and is a threat to take it to the house every time! *Photo by Rob Havens '88.*



snapshot





caught stealing

Second baseman Jenna Stark applies the tag to a Lady Bear attempting to steal during regional play of the NCAA Tournament. Texas A&M faced former Big 12 rival Baylor three times during the regional, taking two out of three, including the Championship Game 8-0, to advance to the Super Regional. *Photo by Rob Havens '88.*

we are the champions!

Texas A&M's Men's Track won their fourth National Championship in the past five years. This marks the seventh National Championship won by the Texas A&M Track & Field Program over a five year span and is the 34th NCAA Championship claimed by Aggie head coach Pat Henry! *Photo courtesy of Aggie Athletics.*



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billyliucci's TOP 44 IN '13

Quarterbacks (1)

1	Jerrod Heard Committed to Texas	Guyer	6-2	180
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Running Backs (5)

1	Varshaun Nixon Committed to Texas A&M	Lake Travis	5-10	185
2	Kevin Shorter Ark, A&M	Newton	6-0	190
3	Justin Stockton Committed to TTU	Steele	5-9	160
4	Donald Catalon Committed to Texas	Eisenhower	6-0	200
5	Samaje Perine Committed to OU	Hendrickson	5-10	195

Wide Receivers (5)

1	Armanti Foreman 	Texas City	5-11	175
2	Davion Hall Committed to Baylor	Liberty-Eylau	6-3	185
3	KD Cannon 	Mount Pleasant	6-1	160
4	Tony Upchurch Committed to LSU	Dawson	6-2	180
5	Lorenzo Joe Committed to Texas	Abilene Cooper	6-2	180

Linebackers (8)

1	Hoza Scott Committed to Texas A&M	La Porte	6-3	220
2	Edwin Freeman 	Bowie	6-1	190
3	Zach Whitley Committed to Alabama	North Shore	6-2	210
4	Josh Walker Committed to Texas A&M	Gilmer	6-1	220
5	Otaro Alaka Committed to Texas	Cy-Falls	6-3	215
6	Silvester Hayes 	South Oak Cliff	6-2	215
7	Sam Sizelove Committed to KSU	Argyle	6-1	205
8	Cameron Hampton Committed to Texas	Carter	6-2	205

Tight End (1)

1	Mavin Saunders Committed to FSU	Kinkaid	6-5	230
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Defensive Ends (4)

1	Myles Garrett TCU, Ore, Bama	Arlington Martin	6-4	235
2	Solomon Thomas Sta, ND, A&M	Coppell	6-3	255
3	Derick Roberson Committed to Texas	SA Brennan	6-3	215
4	Jarrett Johnson Committed to Texas A&M	Seven Lakes	6-3	225

Cornerbacks (6)

1	Nick Harvey Committed to Texas A&M	FB Travis	5-11	180
2	Tony Brown A&M, TEX	Ozen	6-0	190
3	Armani Watts Committed to Texas A&M	North Forney	5-11	185
4	Cedric Collins Committed to Texas A&M	Skyline	5-10	175
5	Nick Watkins 	Bishop Dunne	6-0	165
6	Darrion Johnson 	Navasota	5-10	185

Safeties (6)

1	Jamal Adams 	Hebron	6-0	175
2	Dylan Sumner-Gardner Committed to Texas A&M	West Mesquite	6-0	190
3	Edward Paris Committed to LSU	Timberview	6-1	190
4	Arrion Springs 	Roosevelt	5-11	190
5	Brandon Simmons Committed to Stanford	Timberview	6-0	175
6	John Bonney 	Lamar	6-0	165

Defensive Tackles (4)

1	DeShawn Washington Committed to Texas A&M	Nederland	6-3	275
2	Zaycoven Henderson Committed to TCU	Longview	6-2	270
3	Trey Lealaimatafao Committed to Texas	Warren	6-0	265
4	D.J. Williams 	Lufkin	6-4	275

Offensive Linemen (4)

1	Kealvin Davis Committed to Texas A&M	Lakeview Centennial	6-4	255
2	Koda Martin Committed to Texas A&M	Manvel	6-5	265
3	Demetrius Knox 	FW All Saints	6-5	300
4	Jovan Pruitt 	Bishop Dunne	6-6	290

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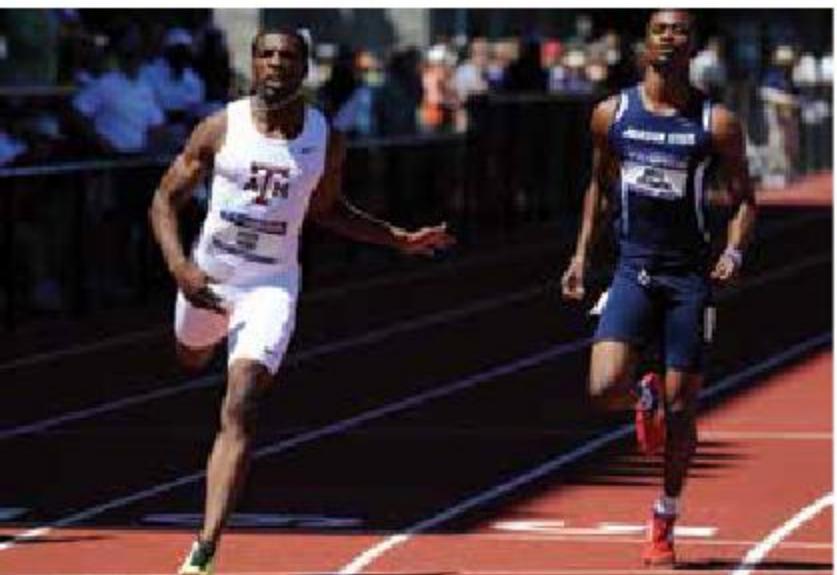


(men's tennis) The 11th-ranked and 12th-seeded Aggie Men's Tennis Team downed the 21st-ranked Longhorns to advance to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Championship, taking care of the rival Horns in a very exciting 4-3 match. The men's run in the tourney ended in the next round to number five seed Ohio State. **(women's tennis)** The Texas A&M Women's Tennis Team finished its historic season as the National Champion Runner-Up, coming up just short against Stanford 4-3 in the championship final. The Aggies finished their season at 26-4, setting a record for the most wins in school history. **(baseball)** Sitting at 22-22 on the season, with the hopes of post-season play looking bleak, Texas A&M battled all the way back to earn a number two seed in the NCAA Tournament. Showing grit and determination, the Aggies went 2-2 in the SEC tournament, including a huge 3-0 win over number one Vanderbilt, while also going 2-2 in the Regional before losing to eventual College World Series participant Oregon State. Four Aggies were taken in the MLB draft: Mikey Reynolds, 5th round, Braves; Kyle Martin, 9th round, Red Sox; Rafael Pineda, 30th round, Mariners; and Jason Jester, 30th round, Padres. **(softball)** The 16th seeded Texas A&M Softball Team beat Baylor 8-0 in the championship game of their regional to advance to the Super Regional for the fifth time in program history. The ladies' road to the Women's College World Series unfortunately ran through Norman where the eventual National Champion Sooners ended the Aggies' season in two games. **(men's golf)** The Texas A&M Men's Golf Team came up just short of competing in the Elite Eight match play of the NCAA Golf Championship. After the Aggies had seemingly clinched a spot in match play and celebrated in the clubhouse, officials assessed a one-stroke penalty for slow play, knocking the Aggies into a four-way tie to determine the final three teams that would advance. Unfortunately, the Aggies came up just short in the playoff and wound up on the outside looking in. *Women's Tennis photo courtesy of Aggie Athletics. All other photos courtesy of Rob Havens '88.*





(men's track) The Texas A&M Men's Track Team won its fourth National Championship in the last five seasons at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Oregon. On the final day of the event, the men won the javelin, hurdles and 200M. The team displayed the true heart of a champion when a dropped baton before the first exchange in the 4x400 relay could have cost them the championship, had they not picked it up and finished the race to secure the team's place on the podium. **(women's track)** The Women's Track Team had another strong showing in the NCAA Championships, finishing the event in second place. The women took first place in the 4x100 relay on the last day of the event. Heading into the final event of the day, and with Kansas already securing the team title, the Aggies ran the second fastest time and third best in team history to leap frog LSU and Oregon to secure second place for the team. *Track photos courtesy of Aggie Athletics.*



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Not long ago, when talking about the recruiting battles in the state, you would hear things like, "A&M just missed out," or, "this recruit changed his mind and decided to go to another school." It's amazing what an 11-2 record in the best conference in the nation, along with the only victory against the two-time National Champion, and a Heisman trophy will do to persuade recruits to play in Aggieland.

Success breeds success, and the Aggie coaching staff has turned success on the gridiron into success in the recruiting wars. The 2014 class, currently ranked as the number one recruiting class in the nation, continues to get better every day. Not only is the staff showing their recruiting dominance in the state, now recruits around the nation are anxious to don the maroon and white.

The latest example is a five-star quarterback from Desert Mountain High in Scottsdale, Arizona. Kyle Allen announced his decision on Twitter earlier

this month after narrowing his list of schools only a week before to UCLA, Oklahoma State, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Texas A&M. He told ESPN.com, "I ended up with Texas A&M by far!" and, "...it feels good to get it out, get it done with and start concentrating on my senior season and Texas A&M recruiting."

In his junior year, the 6'3", 197-pound Allen passed for over 3,100 yards and thirty-six touchdowns. Listed as one of the top five quarterback prospects in the nation, Allen is anxious to play in the SEC. With aspirations of playing at the next level, Kyle is ready to compete against the best defenses in college football. He feels that A&M is the perfect place to develop, and the school has all the things he is looking for as a student athlete. Recruiting experts say he has an outstanding arm, impressive footwork and flawless mechanics.

Allen looks to lead an impressive group of talented players into the 2014 signing class. Coach Sumlin and his staff are not only turning heads when it

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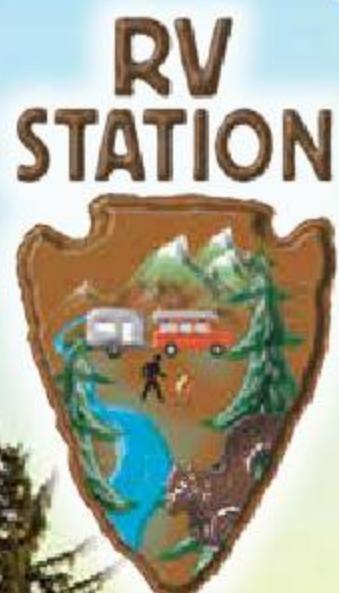
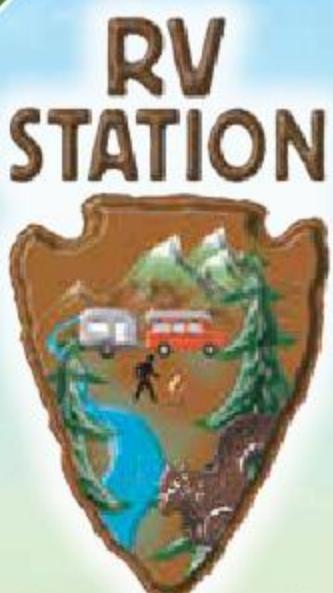


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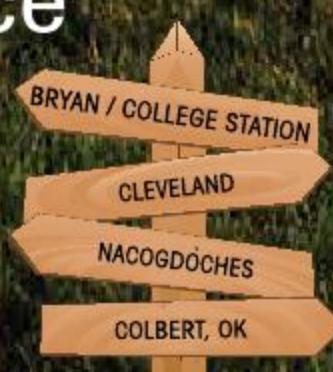
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2013 Football Preview

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Under the guidance and direction of second-year Coach Kevin Sumlin, the Aggies' goals this year are certainly different than last year's. Being the new kid on the block, Texas A&M was determined to show the conference and the country that they belonged in the SEC. This year's goal is to win a National Championship and bring an end to the 74-year drought since the last one.

The SEC is known for its power running game and monster defenses. Across the board, doubters wondered if Coach Sumlin's high-powered offense would be able to compete against the best defenses in the nation. Without any reservations, Coach Sumlin announced at his first press conference, "I didn't come here to do anything but win!" And that is exactly what the Aggies did last year.

This year's offense may be even better than last year's! With a full year of experience under his belt as a starter and a Heisman Trophy on his shelf, Johnny Manziel is prepared to lead this team to a championship that Aggies have been waiting for since 1939. Last season the Aggies rolled up over 7,000 yards of offense, becoming the first team to accomplish the feat in the history of the SEC.

With a full year at the helm, a better understanding of Coach Sumlin's offense, and even better mechanics under the tutelage of quarterback guru George Whitfield, Jr. in the off season, Number 2 should produce more of the same this fall. If you think he can't, just watch! Manziel loves for critics to tell him he can't do something, and he continually proves them wrong.

Coach Sumlin's biggest challenge this fall may be finding enough balls to share with all of his playmakers. With returning running backs Ben Malena and Trey Williams, along with highly touted transfers Brandon Williams from Oklahoma and Tra Carson from Oregon, the Aggies are loaded at the position and each player brings something special and different to the team's rushing attack.

Losing the number two pick overall to the NFL Draft from the Ags' offensive line would normally create a lot of concern, but the Aggies bring back another potential first-rounder in Jake Matthews, who slides over from right to left tackle. Joining Jake on the line are his younger brother, Mike Matthews, at center, Cedric Ogbuehi at right tackle, and guards Jarvis Harrison and Germain Ifedi—a flood of potential NFL players that will be making holes for backs and protecting our favorite Heisman winner.

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11/23/13	@ LSU
11/30/13	@ Missouri



6'5" sophomore Mike Evans looks to continue his record-setting numbers this year, along with a slew of talented receivers that may be the best receiving corps in the country. Juniors Malcome Kennedy and Lekendrick Williams and senior Derel Walker should put up big numbers this season, while newcomers Ricky Seals-Jones and JaQuay Williams have the skills to get immediate playing time.

The Aggies' defensive line was riddled with injuries this spring, but if Kirby Ennis and Julien Obioha are healthy, they could be another surprisingly strong part of the Aggie defense, like last year. With the losses of Jonathan Stewart and Sean Porter, the Ags will look for Steven Jenkins, junior college transfer Tommy Sanders and Donnie Baggs, along with Nate Askew—who moves over from wide receiver—to anchor the Aggie defense.

The Texas A&M secondary will benefit from last year's experience and should be much improved as Howard Matthews, Tony Hurd and Floyd Raven will contribute at safety. Deshazor Everett and De'Vante Harris will work the corners.

On special teams, Drew Kaser takes over for graduating senior Ryan Epperson at punter, while Taylor Bertolet is determined to be a difference maker in the kicking game.

The Aggies hope to carry the momentum they gained from last year's top-five finish and eleven-win season to propel themselves to a program-changing trip to Pasadena!



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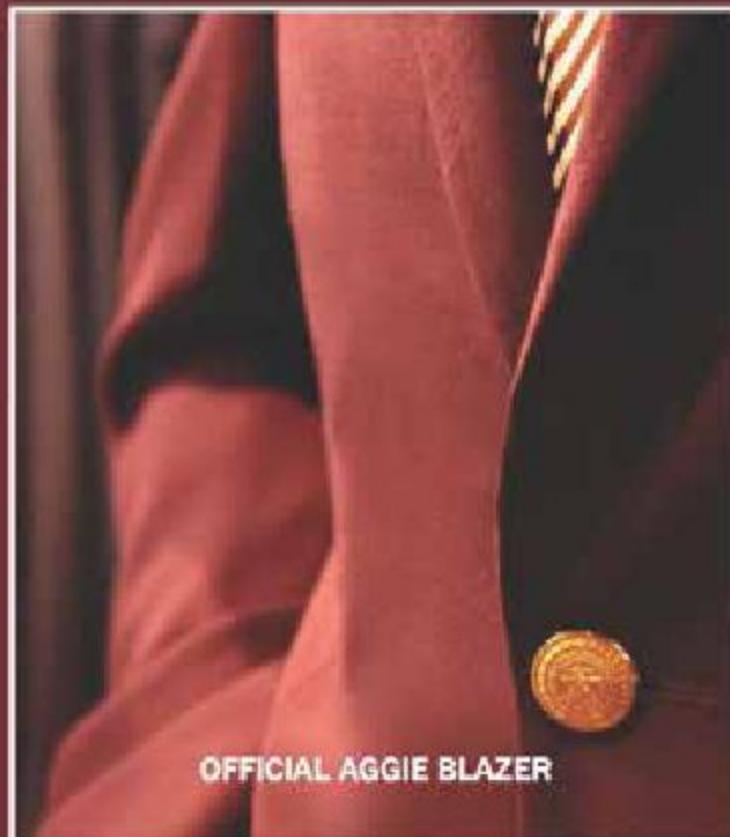
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Neutral	1-0

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2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	@ Texas A&M
09/14/13	vs. Kansas
09/21/13	vs. Houston
09/28/13	vs. Florida Atlantic
10/05/13	@ Tulsa
10/12/13	@ UTSA
10/19/13	@ New Mexico State
10/26/13	vs. UTEP
10/31/13	@ North Texas
11/16/13	vs. Louisiana Tech
11/21/13	@ UAB
11/30/13	vs. Tulane

RICE ATHLETICS

Rice returns nineteen starters from last season's team, which ended the season on a five-game winning streak that tied for eighth-longest in the nation and culminated with a 33-14 victory over Air Force in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl. An explosive offensive attack, coupled with an ever-improving defense helped the Owls to an average mark of 33:59 in time of possession, ranking second nationally. Among the top returnees for head coach David Bailiff are 2012 first-team all-conference cornerback Phillip Gaines and second-team kicker Chris Boswell, who is the active career leader in field goals of 50 yards or longer, with eleven.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	7-6
Conference	4-4
Home	3-2
Away	3-3
Neutral	1-1



After back-to-back trips to the NCAA Division I National Championship Game, Bearkat head coach Willie Fritz and his staff return forty letterman, including eleven starters from last year's team. Headlining the list of six returning starters on offense are running back Timothy Flanders, quarterback Brian Bell, and wide receiver/wildkat back Richard Sincere. The three have combined for twenty-three plays of more than fifty yards as Sam Houston has gone 31-10 during their three seasons as Bearkats. With only one returning starter on the offensive line, guard Donald Jackson III, SHSU will need for young players to really step it up this year. The Bearkat defense that has been so dominant the last two years, allowing only twelve points per game, will have to reload in 2013. Six defensive starters, including two-time league "Defensive Player of the Year" Darnell Taylor, are gone. The Bearkats will rely on defensive ends Jarrett Brown and Andrew Weaver and tackle Gary Lorance to anchor the front line. Returning senior starters Jesse Beauchamp and cornerback Bookie Sneed will bring much needed experience and talent to the 2013 defensive squad.

2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	11-4
Conference	6-1
Home	4-0
Away	5-3
Neutral	2-1

2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	vs. Houston Baptist
09/07/13	@ Texas A&M
09/14/13	vs. Texas Southern
09/21/13	vs. Incarnate Word
09/28/13	vs. Eastern Washington
10/12/13	vs. Lamar
10/19/13	@ McNeese State
10/26/13	vs. Northwestern State
11/02/13	@ Stephen F. Austin
11/09/13	vs. Nicholis State
11/16/13	@ Southeastern Louisiana
11/23/13	@ Central Arkansas

SHSU ATHLETICS



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13 vs. Virginia Tech

09/14/13 @ Texas A&M

09/21/13 vs. Colorado State

09/28/13 vs. Ole Miss

10/05/13 vs. Georgia State

10/12/13 @ Kentucky

10/19/13 vs. Arkansas

10/26/13 vs. Tennessee

11/09/13 vs. LSU

11/16/13 @ Mississippi State

11/23/13 vs. Chattanooga

11/30/13 @ Auburn

Alabama takes the field in 2013 with their eyes on a third consecutive National Championship. Led by AJ McCarron at quarterback and T.J. Yeldon in the backfield, the Tide is loaded once again with play makers all over the field. Nick Saban has to replace three starters on the offensive line. Sophomore Ryan Kelly, junior Arie Kouandjio and junior Austin Shepard will be competing to fill the holes left by graduating seniors. On defense, Jeoffrey Pagan, Brandon Ivory and LaMichael Fanning will look to step up and show what they can do as they continue the excellence that Kirby Smart's defenses are known for. The linebacking corps lost only one starter, and CJ Mosley and Adrian Hubbard are back to wreak havoc on opposing quarterbacks. The Tide's secondary will have both veterans and talented newcomers as cornerback Deion Belue and safeties Ha Ha Clinton-Dix and Vinnie Sunseri return as the leaders, while sophomores Geno Smith and Landon Collins will take over and look to show what they can do. The September 14th showdown versus the Aggies might be the only road block for Bama with a schedule that sets up nicely for a return trip to the BCS title game.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	13-1
Conference	7-1
Home	6-1
Away	4-0
Neutral	3-0

ALABAMA ATHLETICS

Senior Garrett Gilbert leads the Mustangs in his second year with the program. He continued to improve throughout last season and didn't throw an interception in his last five games. The Ponies will be looking for Jeremy Johnson and Der'rikk Thompson to step up and lead the receiving corps. Former Texas Longhorn Traylon Sheard will be Coach June Jones' go-to running back this fall as he replaces Zach Line in the backfield. The offensive line is young, but look for Ben Gottschalk to be a standout at left tackle. Defensive Coordinator Tom Mason must replace all three starters on the 3-4 defensive line. Linebackers Stephon Sanders and Randall Joyner may be the strength of the defense, while the secondary returns Acker, Parks and Richardson at the corners and Jay Scott at strong safety. SMU has made it to four straight bowl games. If they want to continue that streak in the American Athletic Conference, Gilbert will have to deliver a standout year and the Ponies will need new players on the defensive line to grow up fast.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	7-6
Conference	5-3
Home	5-2
Away	1-4
Neutral	1-0



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/30/13 vs. Texas Tech

09/07/13 vs. Montana State

09/21/13 @ Texas A&M

09/28/13 @ TCU

10/05/13 vs. Rutgers

10/19/13 @ Memphis

10/26/13 vs. Temple

11/09/13 @ Cincinnati

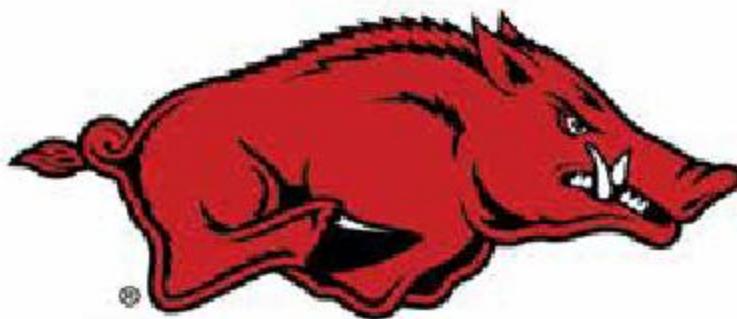
11/16/13 vs. Connecticut

11/23/13 @ USF

11/29/13 @ Houston

12/07/13 vs. UCF

SMU ATHLETICS



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	vs. Louisiana
09/07/13	vs. Samford
09/14/13	vs. Southern Mississippi
09/21/13	@ Rutgers
09/28/13	vs. Texas A&M
10/05/13	@ Florida
10/12/13	vs. South Carolina
10/19/13	@ Alabama
11/02/13	vs. Auburn
11/09/13	@ Ole Miss
11/23/13	vs. Mississippi State
11/29/13	@ LSU

Coach Bret Bielema brings a new mindset to Arkansas when it comes to the offensive side of the ball. The new coach looks to instill the big bruising run game he has had success with in the past. Replacing Tyler Wilson at quarterback and Cobi Hamilton at wide receiver, the Hogs will look to sophomore Brandon Allen to lead the new offense. Bulking up the backfield will be Kody Walker and Kiero Small to wear down opposing defenses, while allowing Jonathan Williams to take the lead tailback position along with Nate Holmes and signee Alex Collins. Wide receivers Javontee Herndon, Julian Horton and Demetrius Wilson, along with sophomore Mekale McKay, should get most of the reps for Jim Chaney's new offense. The defensive line should be a bright spot this fall for the Hogs as tackles Byran Jones and Robert Thomas, along with defensive ends Chris Smith and Trey Flowers, all bring quality starting experience. The secondary brings back four starters in safeties Rohan Gaines and Eric Bennett, along with corners Tevin Mitchel and Will Hines. If the Hogs can develop a running game and improve on defense, they can start to make steps toward competing in the West again.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	4-8
Conference	2-6
Home	3-5
Away	1-3
Neutral	0-0

OLE MISS REBELS



Ole Miss is a team on the rise. After suffering through two straight losing seasons and a 16-game SEC losing streak, Hugh Freeze righted the Rebel ship in his first season, leading Ole Miss to a 7-6 record and victory in the 2013 BBVA Compass Bowl. The Rebels followed that turnaround by landing a consensus top-10 rated recruiting class to further bolster the team's future. The team returns nineteen of twenty-two starters for the 2013 season, including All-SEC linebacker Denzel Nkemdiche, All-SEC receiver Donte Moncrief and quarterback Bo Wallace. All eleven defensive starters return from a unit that exceeded expectations a year ago and led all SEC teams in tackles for loss, ranking fourth in the nation with 7.9 per game. They also ranked second in the SEC and eleventh nationally with 2.9 sacks per contest. Known for his up-tempo offense, Freeze led the team to a big turnaround with improvement in nearly every offensive category from the previous year. Ole Miss finished the season ranked top five in the league and top fifty in the nation in scoring, total offense and passing. Last year's 7-6 record could have been even better if not for close losses to Texas A&M (30-27), Vanderbilt (27-26) and LSU (41-35), all games in which Ole Miss gave up a late lead.

2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	7-6
Conference	3-5
Home	4-3
Away	2-3
Neutral	1-0

2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/29/13	@ Vanderbilt
09/07/13	vs. SEMO
09/14/13	@ Texas
09/28/13	@ Alabama
10/05/13	@ Auburn
10/12/13	vs. Texas A&M
10/19/13	vs. LSU
10/26/13	vs. Idaho (HC)
11/09/13	vs. Arkansas
11/16/13	vs. Troy
11/23/13	vs. Missouri
11/28/13	@ Mississippi State



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	vs. Washington State
09/07/13	vs. Arkansas State
09/14/13	vs. Mississippi State
09/21/13	@ LSU
10/05/13	vs. Ole Miss
10/12/13	vs. Western Carolina (HC)
10/19/13	@ Texas A&M
10/26/13	vs. Florida Atlantic
11/02/13	@ Arkansas
11/09/13	@ Tennessee
11/16/13	vs. Georgia
11/30/13	vs. Alabama

Auburn will have a high-octane presence in 2013 under first-year head coach Gus Malzahn, the offensive architect of the Tigers' 2010 national championship run. Malzahn has brought a new energy and cutting edge schemes to both sides of the football, led by new coordinators Ellis Johnson on defense and Rhett Lashlee on offense. Auburn will blend the skills of talented newcomers with the experience of sixteen returning starters; when camp begins in August, all jobs are up for grabs. With the largest spring game attendance in America—some 83,401 strong—Auburn fans are eager for the 2013 campaign to begin.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	3-9
Conference	0-8
Home	3-4
Away	0-4
Neutral	0-1

AUBURN ATHLETICS

After a historic season where the Commodores won nine games for the first time since 1915, Coach James Franklin has made Vanderbilt relevant on the gridiron. With a 5-3 record in the SEC, Vandy fans are hungry for more success in 2013. The Dores are playing for a third consecutive trip to the post season. Austyn Carta-Samuels is the favorite to take over the reins at the quarterback position. His dual threat skills at running and throwing the football should help Vandy keep things going offensively. While Wesley Tate, Jerron Seymour and Brian Kimbrow will share duties carrying the ball in the backfield, Jordan Matthews and Chris Boyd, who proved to be the SEC's best pair of starting wide receivers, are prepared to lead the team in receptions again this year. The Commodores were fifth in the SEC in total defense last year, and Walker

May, Kyle Woestmann and Caleb Azubike at the defensive end position should continue to anchor the talented defense. Chase Garnham returns at middle linebacker after a breakout season last year, while senior cornerback Andre Hal leads a veteran group of returning starters in the secondary. Look for the Commodores to continue their momentum from last year.

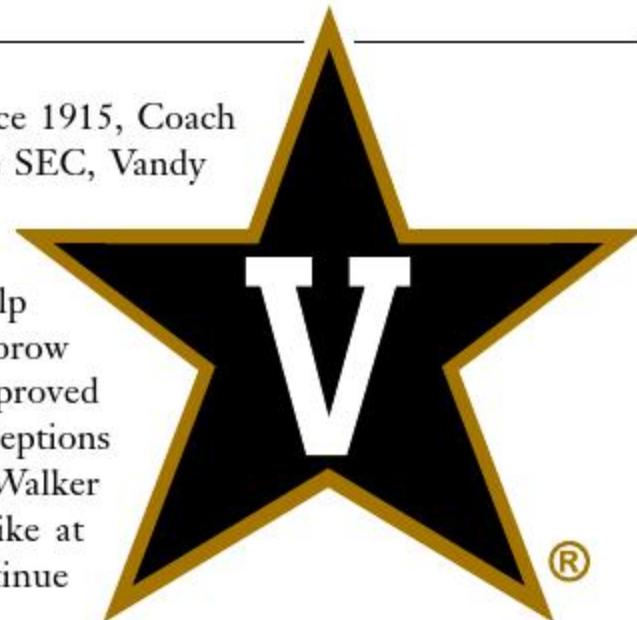


2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	9-4
Conference	5-3
Home	4-2
Away	4-2
Neutral	1-0

2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/29/13	vs. Ole Miss
09/07/13	vs. Austin Peay
09/14/13	@ South Carolina
09/21/13	@ Massachusetts
09/28/13	vs. UAB
10/05/13	vs. Missouri
10/19/13	vs. Georgia
10/26/13	@ Texas A&M
11/09/13	@ Florida
11/16/13	vs. Kentucky
11/23/13	@ Tennessee
11/30/13	vs. Wake Forest



VANDERBILT ATHLETICS



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

09/07/13	vs. New Mexico
09/14/13	@ New Mexico State
09/21/13	vs. UTSA
09/28/13	@ Colorado State
10/05/13	vs. Louisiana Tech
10/12/13	vs. Tulsa
10/26/13	@ Rice
11/02/13	@ Texas A&M
11/09/13	@ North Texas
11/16/13	vs. Florida International
11/23/13	@ Tulane
11/30/13	@ Middle Tennessee State

First-year head coach Sean Kugler and the Miners return forty-five letter winners and thirteen starters from last year's squad that finished 3-9. Junior Nathan Jeffery is one of those returning starters as he finished with 897 yards on the ground and seven touchdowns. Jeffery pounded out two games with more than 170 yards rushing (Oklahoma and UCF) and recorded three multi-touchdown games. Junior Jordan Leslie returns his 973 yards receiving in the air on fifty-one receptions and six scores. Kugler has several options at quarterback. Sophomore Blaire Sullivan started two of the final three games. Senior Carson Meger brings experience, while highly touted redshirt freshman Garrett Simpson looked impressive during his time on the scout team. New to the program is Texas A&M transfer Jameill Showers (two years of eligibility), who will compete for the starting position. On the defensive side, the Miners return four starters and fourteen letter winners overall. DB Richard Spencer, who led the team in tackles before a season ending knee injury, also returns for the Miners. DL Germard Reed has logged twenty-nine starts, the most of any of the returnees on defense.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	3-9
Conference	2-6
Home	2-4
Away	1-5
Neutral	0-0

Coming into the 2013 football season, Mississippi State returns several pieces from a year ago. However, with the loss of four senior wide receivers including Chad Bumphis, Chris Smith and Arceto Clark, many young receivers will be called on to fill roles. Tyler Russell returns for his senior season after breaking the single-season passing record and is closing in on career milestones. State also returns four offensive linemen that include pre-season All-American left guard, Gabe Jackson. Returning in the backfield is pre-season second-team All-SEC running back LaDarius Perkins, the ninth MSU player to carry the ball for 1,000 yards a season ago. Perkins adds a distinct advantage out of the backfield with exhilarating speed and quickness and soft hands as a receiver. Defensively, State lost Thorpe award-winning cornerback Jonthan Banks and fellow second-round draft pick Darius Slay, as well as linebacker Cam Lawrence. But newly appointed defensive coordinator Geoff Collins brings a new level of mayhem to his defensive scheme, as well as a reloaded defensive line and linebacking corp. Freshman All-American linebacker Benardrick McKinney spearheads the linebackers, and the defensive line will be a year older with pre-season third-team All-SEC pick Denico Autry at defensive end. Quay Evans and Nick James both showed promise in their first year at defensive tackle, and the addition of five-star defensive end Chris Jones should add significant depth in the trenches.



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	@ Oklahoma State
09/07/13	vs. Alcorn State
09/14/13	@ Auburn
09/21/13	vs. Troy
10/05/13	vs. LSU
10/12/13	vs. Bowling Green (HC)
10/24/13	vs. Kentucky
11/02/13	@ South Carolina
11/09/13	@ Texas A&M
11/16/13	vs. Alabama
11/23/13	@ Arkansas
11/28/13	vs. Ole Miss

2012-2013 RECORD

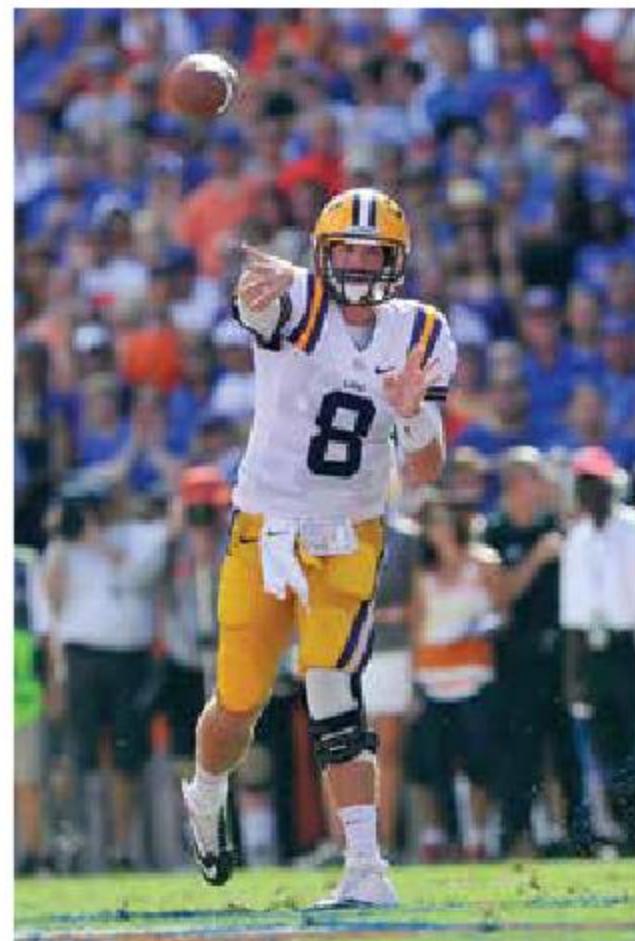
Overall	8-5
Conference	4-4
Home	6-1
Away	2-3
Neutral	0-1



2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	@ TCU
09/07/13	vs. UAB
09/14/13	vs. Kent State
09/21/13	vs. Auburn
09/28/13	@ Georgia
10/05/13	@ Mississippi State
10/12/13	vs. Florida
10/19/13	@ Ole Miss
10/26/13	vs. Furman
11/09/13	@ Alabama
11/23/13	vs. Texas A&M
11/29/13	vs. Arkansas

The Tigers' offense will take the field this fall under the guidance of new offensive coordinator Cam Cameron. LSU hopes Cameron's reputation of developing quarterbacks will show this season as he takes senior Zach Mettenberger into his second full campaign as a starter. In addition to looking for more production out of Mettenberger, Cameron will look to sophomore Jeremy Hill, Alfred Blue and Kenny Hilliard to take care of the ground game for the Tigers. Receivers Odell Beckham Jr., Jarvis Landry and Quantavious Leslie should be the prime targets for LSU's passing game. Only ten starters return from last year's team as the Tigers were hit hard by early departures to the NFL. LSU will look to fill holes in the defense, but returning players Jermauria Rasco, Anthony Johnson, Ego Ferguson and Danielle Hunter should continue the tradition of strong defensive linemen in Baton Rouge. Cornerbacks Jalen Mills and Jalen Collins will benefit from the action they saw last year as freshmen, and senior Craig Loston will continue to lead the secondary from the safety spot.



2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	10-3
Conference	6-2
Home	7-1
Away	3-1
Neutral	0-1

The Missouri Tigers look to rebound from last year's disappointing first season in the SEC. Ending a streak of seven consecutive years participating in bowls, the Tigers had become accustomed to winning a lot of games. Offensively, Missouri returns several talented players at the skill positions and will look to strike a balance on the run-pass ratio in their spread offense. On the defensive side of the ball, the Tigers lost first round NFL Draft pick Sheldon Richardson from the line but still have three returning starters for their 4-3 defensive alignment. Mizzou has six returning starters overall on defense, plus a placekicker who made the SEC All Freshman team. There is a lot of motivation for the Tigers to get back to their winning ways.



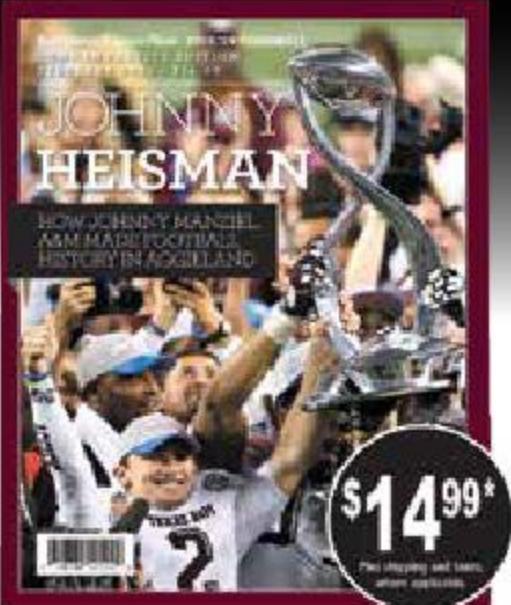
2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

08/31/13	vs. Murray State
09/07/13	vs. Toledo
09/21/13	@ Indiana
09/28/13	vs. Arkansas State
10/05/13	@ Vanderbilt
10/12/13	@ Georgia
10/19/13	vs. Florida
10/26/13	vs. South Carolina
11/02/13	vs. Tennessee
11/09/13	@ Kentucky
11/23/13	@ Ole Miss
11/30/13	vs. Texas A&M

2012-2013 RECORD

Overall	5-7
Conference	2-6
Home	3-4
Away	2-3
Neutral	N/A

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Blair Inducted Into Women's Basketball Hall of Fame

Texas A&M Head Coach Gary Blair was one of six inductees to Women's Basketball Hall of Fame Class of 2013

BY AGGIE ATHLETICS



KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - Texas A&M women's basketball head coach Gary Blair was inducted to the prestigious Women's Basketball Hall of Fame alongside five additional members of the Class of 2013 on Saturday evening.

Blair becomes the first basketball hall of fame inductee from Texas A&M in either men's or women's basketball.

"I have had the great opportunity to interact with the other inductees having either coached or coached against them and it will be an honor to stand beside them as we are inducted this weekend," Blair said. "When you begin your career you do not even think of the Hall of Fame, you dream of NCAA Tournament appearances, Final Fours or the ultimate dream of a National Championship. The Hall of Fame is never one of your goals, because nobody can make the Hall without great teammates or assistant coaches. The honor is mind-boggling because of who is already in the Hall of Fame and to think that some of my former players or assistants will hopefully be able to join me in Knoxville really makes me appreciate how fortunate I am to have had their support throughout my career."

A two-time national finalist for the prestigious Naismith Coach of the Year Award, Blair will be a member of five Hall

of Fame classes, including induction into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2013, the Texas Sports Hall of Fame in 2011, the Southland Conference Hall of Honor in 2009, the Stephen F. Austin Ladyjack Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Texas High School Basketball Hall of Fame in 2002. He was also honored with the 2011 New York Athletic Club's Winged Foot Award, which is presented annually to the winning coaches of the men's and women's NCAA Division I Basketball Championships.

With Blair at the helm, Texas A&M has elevated into one of the nation's elite programs. The Aggies have advanced to at least the NCAA Sweet 16 four of the last six years, earned a trip to the Elite Eight in 2008 and won the program's first national championship in 2011. Blair has guided A&M to a program-best No. 1 ranking in the national polls, a school-record eight straight NCAA Tournament appearances and produced A&M's only first-team All-American in Danielle Adams. In addition, the Aggies have captured four conference trophies in the last seven years. "Coach Blair is very deserving of being inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame," Texas A&M Athletic Director Eric Hyman said. "He has become an icon in the world of women's basketball and

will be a long time legend in the Texas A&M athletic annals. One of the most important qualities he possesses, besides the obvious ability to recruit and coach, is his leadership off the court. He truly cares about his players as people and works to guide them to be successful after their sports career has ended. We are very proud of all his accomplishments and are pleased he is being recognized nationally with his induction."

One of the winningest active Division I coaches in the women's game today, Blair is one of only three all-time NCAA Division I women's basketball coaches to lead two different teams to the NCAA Women's Final Four (Texas A&M and Arkansas). He currently ranks in the top 15 in career victories and in the top 25 by winning percentage among active Division I coaches with an impressive 645-233 overall record (.735).

The all-time winningest women's basketball coach in Texas A&M history and the 2007 Big 12 Coach of the Year, Blair claimed his 600th career coaching victory in 2011 to become the 22nd all-time NCAA Division I coach to reach the milestone. He also holds the distinction of being one of only six coaches in NCAA history to take three schools to the NCAA Tournament.

Over the course of his 28-year collegiate coaching career, which includes stops at Stephen F. Austin from 1985-93 and Arkansas from 1993-03, Blair has led his teams to 27 winning seasons, 22 20-win seasons, 19 NCAA Tournament appearances and 30 NCAA postseason victories. Blair has won a championship at every level of his coaching career including three state championships at Dallas South Oak Cliff High School, two national championships as an assistant coach at Louisiana Tech, a WNIT Championship at Arkansas and a national championship at Texas A&M.

Blair previously led the Lady Razorbacks to the 1998 NCAA Final Four and the Lady Jacks to four NCAA Sweet 16 appearances. He has followed that path of success at Texas A&M where he has put together a 237-100 record (.703) after nine seasons in Aggieland, including eight consecutive 20-win campaigns since 2005.

The other members of the WBHOF Class of 2013 are Jim Foster (coach), Peggy Gillom-Granderson (player), Jen Rizzotti (player), Annette Smith-Knight (player) and Sue Wicks (player).

Gillom-Granderson was the head coach at Texas A&M prior to Blair, from 1998-03. She compiled a record of 53-86 over those five seasons. While at A&M, Gillom-Granderson served as an assistant coach for the 2000 USA Basketball Olympic Team in Sydney, Australia, helping guide the team to a gold medal.

Blair and the Class of 2013 were formally introduced at the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in front of a capacity crowd at the Bijou Theatre. The day's events began with an autograph session from the 2013 inductees followed by a gala reception hosted by Tennessee Head Coach Holly Warlick and Connecticut Head Coach Geno Auriemma at the East Tennessee Historical Center. Following the induction ceremony the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame hosted a post-induction celebration and silent auction.

What They're Saying About Coach Blair:

"Gary joined my staff at Louisiana Tech and left to go on to become one of the real great coaches that women's basketball has ever had. I am glad he is finally getting the recognition that he deserves. Coach Blair is one of the few people to go out and promote the women's game to everyone he meets and going into the Hall of Fame is a well-deserved honor for Gary. What really sets him apart is the tremendous work ethic and basketball mind that has that is constantly trying to make him and his team better, most cannot match the effort that Coach Blair puts into this great sport."

- Leon Barmore, Former Louisiana Tech Head Coach (1982-02), Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame inductee (2003), Women's Basketball Hall of Fame inductee (2003)

"What makes Gary worthy as an inductee into the Hall of Fame is that he has been so very successful on the court, off the court and in each community he's coached. He has always been such a big advocate for the game of women's basketball. You could call him a friend of the game because of all he's contributed. I've known him for a long time and his passion for teaching, mentoring and his love of the game is still there."

- Sue Donohoe, Executive Director of the Kay Yow Cancer Fund (Former NCAA Vice President, Division I Women's Basketball)

"This is a tremendous honor for a tremendous coach. His expertise is second to none. I've always been amazed at how fast he saw the game and his ability to convey that to our players in the heat of battle. It's an honor to have been on his bench for over half of his victories. To have the opportunity to work for a Hall of Fame coach for 15 years is truly a blessing. His impact on my career as well as the careers of other

coaches across the country is immeasurable. Congratulations Coach Blair on your induction into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. It's well-deserved."

- Vic Schaefer, Mississippi State Head Coach (Member of Coach Blair's staff for 15 years)

"I have great respect and admiration for Gary Blair. He has been successful at every stop...high school, assistant coach at Louisiana Tech and as a head coach at Stephen F. Austin, Arkansas and now at Texas A&M. Coach Blair has always conducted his business in a fair and honorable way and the results have been off the chart. He is most deserving of Hall of Fame recognition and all of us in the Southeastern Conference are proud of his accomplishments."

- Andy Landers, Georgia Women's Basketball Head Coach, Women's Basketball Hall of Fame inductee (2003)

"Gary Blair is very deserving of a place among the best collegiate women's basketball coaches. He has been a substantial contributor to the game and its participants. The development of student-athletes, academically, athletically and socially has been and continues to be the hallmark of his success. While the student-athletes he has coached and the universities he has represented have benefited from his leadership and expertise, he has also been an exceptional spokesperson for all of collegiate women's basketball throughout his career. We are extremely proud of Gary and are appreciate of his efforts on behalf of Texas A&M.

- Marcy Girton, TAMU Chief of Staff

"No coach deserves this more than Gary Blair, for all that he has accomplished at every level of coaching from high school head coach, college assistant and then as a college head coach. To be inducted into one of the most prestigious Hall of Fames in all of sports is something that has been a long time coming for such a great coach and an even better person. I am proud to say I will be in attendance for Gary's induction as not only a colleague, but also a friend."

- Van Chancellor, Former LSU Women's Basketball Coach (2007-11), Women's Basketball Hall of Fame inductee (2001)





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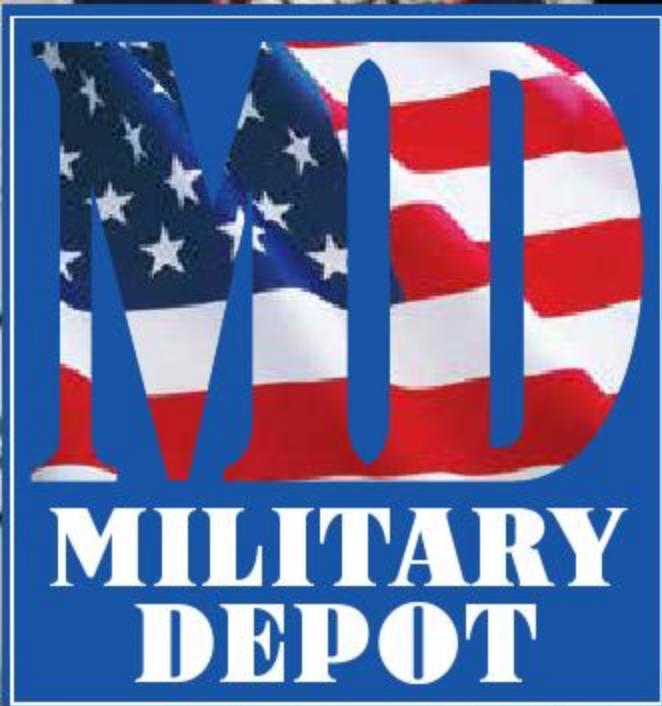
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This unique honor is voted on by the conference athletic directors.

"The SEC is very proud to honor Johnny and Allison, as they are outstanding examples of what a student-athlete can accomplish through hard work and dedication," said SEC commissioner Mike Slive. "Their commitment to excellence have made them fine representatives of their universities and this conference. We congratulate them and wish them the best in their future endeavors."

In addition to becoming the first freshman to win the Heisman Trophy—in A&M's inaugural season in the SEC—Manziel was named first-team All-SEC, SEC Offensive Player of the Year, SEC Freshman of the Year, Associated Press first-team All-American, first-team All-America by the Football Writers Association of America, and the AP Player of the Year.

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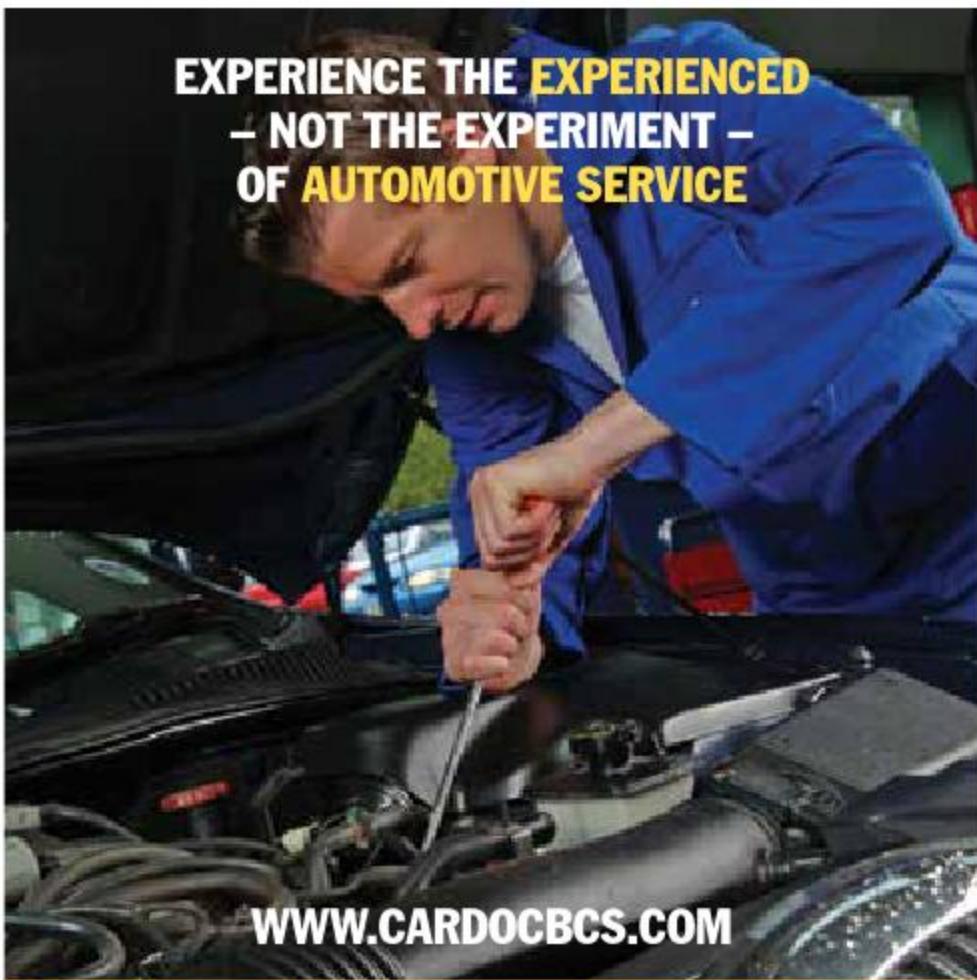
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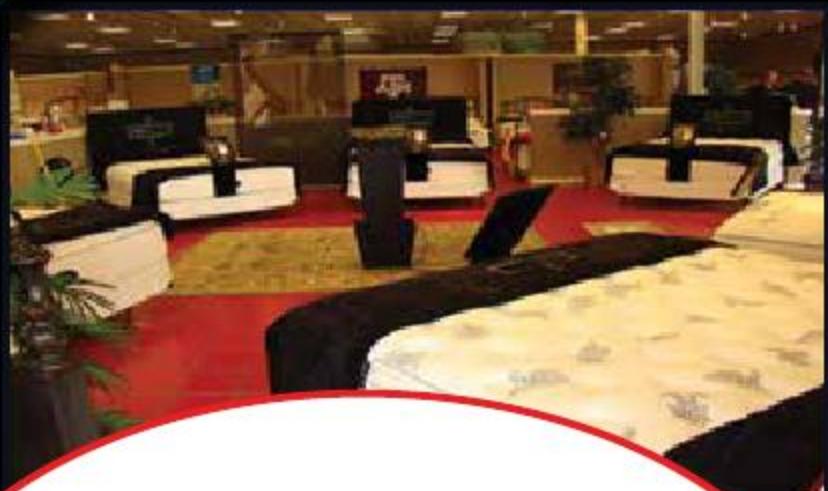


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